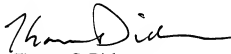


REMARKS

The Examiner submitted a restriction requirement on claims 1-25 on October 7, 2008. However, Applicant had canceled those claims by Preliminary Amendment on March 23, 2005. New claims 26-48 were submitted but not addressed by the present action. This issue was raised by teleconference with the Examiner but the outstanding Action remains in place. In order to advance prosecution Applicant requests removal of the outstanding Office Action and examination of the current claim set.

Applicant respectfully requests withdrawal of the Restriction Requirement. The Examiner is invited to telephone the undersigned if the Examiner believes it would be useful to advance prosecution.

Respectfully submitted,

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read "Thomas G. Dickson", written in a cursive style.

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